## Mackinac Bridge February Traffic Report

## March 3, 2004

Robert J. Sweeney, Executive Secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority, reported today that 232,806 vehicles crossed the Mackinac Bridge during the month of February. This represents a 2.9 percent increase when compared to the 226,199 crossings during February 2003. Fare revenue for the month was up 53.1 percent compared to last year, going from \$581,708 to \$890,450. This increase is due to the toll restructuring that was implemented on May 1, 2003. Commercial traffic for the month of February was down 0.1 percent.

Traffic for the first two months of 2004 is running 2.5 percent behind last year's pace; 445,139 vehicles versus 456,535 in 2003. Fare revenue in 2004 totals \$1,720,506 compared to \$1,182,981 last year, an increase of 45.4 percent. Commercial traffic for the first two months of 2004 is down 4.1 percent over the same period of last year.

				Fare	Fare	
	Traffic	Traffic	%	Revenues	Revenues	%
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Inc.</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>Change</u>
January	212,333	230,336	-7.8	\$830,055	\$601,273	38.0
February	232,806	226,199	2.9	\$581,708	\$890,450	53.1